Mary Boulton Pioneer Cottage and Museum

38 Gumma Road, Macksville, N.S.W. 2447

OPEN
1:00pm - 4:00pm Wednesdays & Saturdays
Or
By Arrangement

Mission Statement

'Mary Boulton Pioneer Cottage and Museum is the trustee of pioneering domestic and working life in the settlement era of Macksville and surrounding district'.

The Cottage and Museum Grounds represent a "view into the past" of the working and domestic life of Nambucca Valley Pioneers during the 1800's and 1900's.

Come and see the furnished pioneer cottage in a beautiful garden setting.

Compare your car (motor carriage) with the horse drawn carriage.

We have an amazing collections of old tools, equipment and household items.

On Wednesdays the Local Spinners and Weavers Club "yarn" on the cottage verandah.

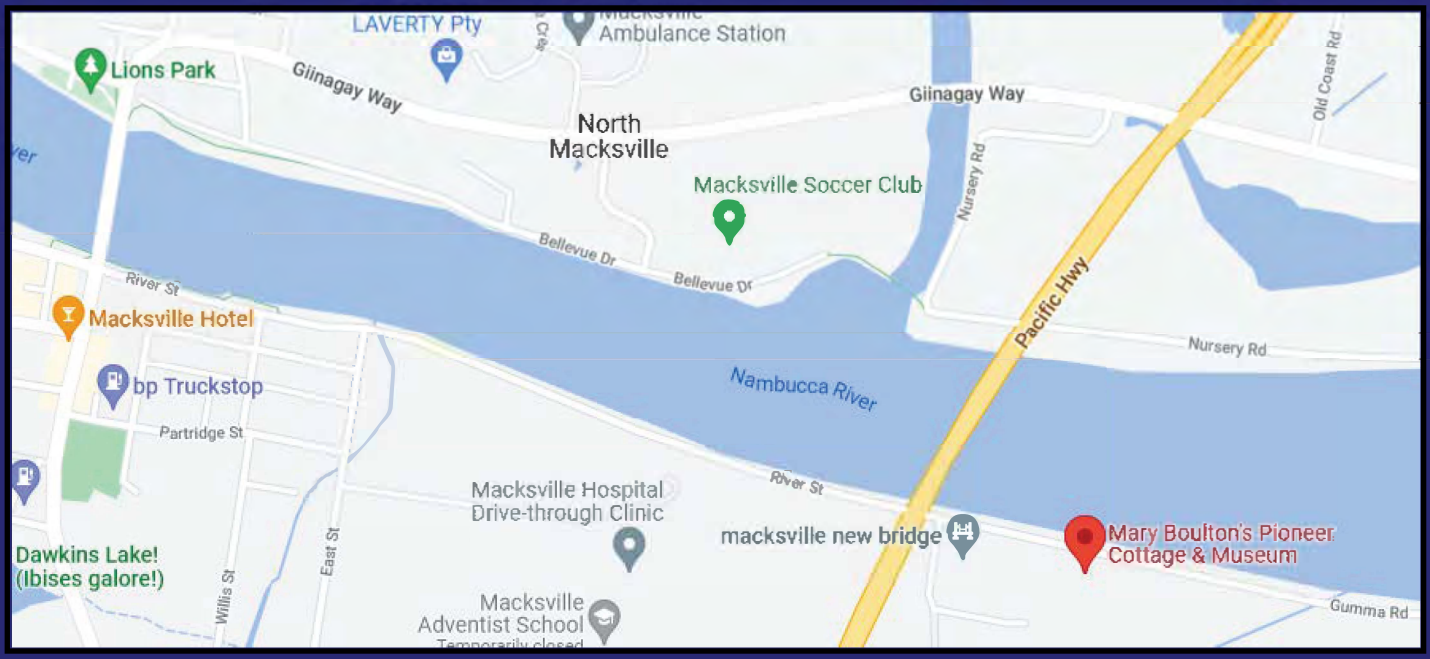
Managed and operated by friendly volunteers, we rely on visitor entry fees, kind donations and fund-raising events to maintain the grounds, buildings and exhibitions.

The grounds are available for marriage or naming ceremonies and many other small events. Morning or afternoon tea catering is available for group tours.

The buildings and grounds are "wheely walker" friendly.

DIRECTIONS

Click on the map to go to Google Maps



Entry Fees:
Adults - $4.50
Seniors - $4.00
Children - $2.00

CONTACTS

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Museums & Galleries of NSW

HISTORY BOOKS FOR SALE

Sales Contact
macksvillemuseum@gmail.com
Phone: 0479 073 935 or in person at the museum. Note: Postage is extra

A GREAT IDEA WHICH CAME TO NAUGHT
"Planned road to the Tablelands" - The Kilmore Track.
Editor Allan Brunsdon, 11pg. Copied from The Nambucca & Bellinger News 1937. **$ 5.00**

A TRAIL OF ROCKS.
Author: Cyril Gorley (Geologist) 2005, 9 pg.
Geology of the upper reaches of the arms of the Nambucca River. **$ 10.00**

A WOMENS PLACE
Small booklet 24pg. Gender Equality in the Nambucca Valley from 1800's to 1940's. **$ 2.00**

AT LAST - MACKSVILLE RAILWAY CENTENARY 1919 - 2019.
Author: Geoffrey Minett 2019. 47 pg. Celebrating the infrastructure that helped grow the regional areas of Kempsey - Macksville. **$ 25.00**

BLACKBUTT PIONEER CEMETERY.
Author: Geoffery Minett. 2019. 31 pg. Second edition. **$ 15.00**

CENTENARY OF ARMISTICE PROGRAM BOOKLET 1918 - 2018.
Nambucca Valley Commemorations - Remembrance Day 2018. 14 pg. **$ 2.00**

DOWN VANSIHED YEARS.
Author: Jennifer Hume MacDougall. 2009. 361 pg.
A history of the Welsh & related pioneering families of the Nambucca from 1707. **$ 30.00**

EUNGAI & KINKI CEMETERIES.
Author: Geoff Minett. 11 pg.
History tour, includes Barraganyatti Hotel, place names, trees, & Eungai district history. **$ 5.00**

FAREWELL TO PUNTS.
The opening of Wilson & Congarinni Bridges on Taylors Arm River.
Extract from Nambucca and Bellinger News 1940. 7 pg Booklet. **$ 5.00**

FIFTY YEARS & STILL RUNNING - MACKSVILLE GIFT.
Author: Brian J Smith. 251 pg.
History of The Macksville Gift 1953-2003. **$ 15.00**

FOODS OF THE NAMBUCCA VALLEY.
Author: Joy Lane 2011. 98 pg.
Typical diet of original inhabitants & early settlers, foods produced in the Nambucca Valley, & some interesting recipes & methods. **$ 20.00**

GENEALOGY OF FAMILIES.
BOOK - 200 pages - order to print. **$ 45.00**

USB - **$ 40.00**

BOOK & USB - **$ 80.00**

GUARDIAN NEWS - "INTO THE NEXT MILLENIUM.
A Special commemorative edition - 2000.
A souvenir collection of events over the 100 years. 24 pg. $ 2.00

GUMMA CHRONICLES.
Compiled by The Macksville & District History Group. 58 pages.
This history book draws a picture of earlier times & the lives of the families who lived in the Gumma area. $ 15.00
Related orally by Ellen Partridge, Neita Richards and Mary Boulton.

HISTORY OF THE BRIDLE TRACK.
Author: Geoff Minett. 14 pg.
History & information of the local areas of Congarinni & Wilson, including bridges & punts, and of Patrick & Emma Byrnes. $ 10.00

LOOKING BACK.
Author: Geoff Minett 2011. 51 pg.
A brief history of the villages of Allgomera; Tamban; Eungai Creek; Eungai Rail; Yarrahapinni; Stuarts Point; Barraganyatti & Scotts Head, including Kinki & Eungai cemeteries. $ 15.00

MACKSVILLE 100 SHOWS 1907 - 2012.
History from 1906 leading up to the 100th Show in 2012. Celebrating the dedication, tribulations & triumphs as an organisation with a wonderful band of volunteers. $ 25.00

MACKSVILLE CEMETERY.
Author: Joy Lane. 20 pg.
Traces the history of the cemetery & looks behind the name on a headstone. A brief description of pioneers who lived interesting lives, made significant contributions or died in unusual or tragic circumstances. $ 10.00

MACLEAY TO CLARENCE.
Small booklet. 11 pg. Excerpts from the CLarence & Richmond Examiner 1893.
A description of the countryside along with the route from Kempsey to Grafton as it was in 1893. $ 5.00

MEMORIES OF THE OLD HEADLAND HALL.
Author: Brenda Gadsby 1995. 37 pg.
Memoirs from locals reminiscing on the dances held in the "Palais d' Dance", at the Nambucca Headland. $ 10.00

MIDCO - BOOK.
Compiled by The Macksville & District History Group.
58 years of the operation of the Mid Coast Co-operative Meat Company Ltd. & of the disastrous social fall-out caused by it's closure in 1998. $ 20.00

MY LIFE - R.A. (RON) COOK.
Transcribed from hand written notes by Joy Lane 2018. 25pg.
A life story and recollections made in 2001 about Burrapine & Thumb Creek. $ 10.00

NAMBUCCA HEADS 1910.
Small booklet. 16 pg.
Extracts from The Nambucca News 1910.
"Nambucca Heads, a Coastal Beauty Spot", "Watering Hole of the Nambucca", "A coming Sanitorium". $ 5.00

NAMBUCCA RIVER SNIPPETS.
Author: MBPC & Museum, compiled by Joy Lane. 8 pg.
Some interesting snippets about interesting people & places in the Nambucca Valley. $ 2.00

NAMBUCCA VALLEY DEATH & BURIAL RECORDS.
Compiled by volunteers of MBPC & Museum and past Macksville & District History Group members.
Deaths and burials prior to 1910, including a list of confirmed & probable burials on private property. $ 10.00

NEWEE CREEK.
Compiled by MBPCM. Related by Ann Unicomb & Others.
Interesting information about the Newee Creek area. $ 10.00

OSSIE FIELD'S NOTES.
Author: . 2009. 21pg.
Information & photos about Field's Bakery and Store in River St, Macksville, and also of the Field's family home and farm at North Macksville. $ 6.00

PICTURESQUE MACKSVILLE 1910.
Booklet. 23 pages.
History of the growth of Macksville, includes articles published in Nambucca News 1910 of some citizens & early stores. (Great booklet for tracing the history of our small town). $ 5.00

PRECIOUS MEMORIES.
Author: David Dunne. 136 pages.
A photographic history of the Nambucca Shire commemorating the Centenary of Federation 2001. $ 25.00

RED GOLD - CEDAR.
Author: Geoffrey Minett. 2021.
A brief history of "Cedar Getting" in Australia and the Nambucca Valley, including interesting information on the tree, uses of the wood, and how it was transported to the cities. $ 8.00

SCOTTS HEAD - AS GOOD AS IT GETS.
Author John (Buz) Brazel. 72 pg. $ 35.00

SCOTT OF THE NMBUKH.
Author: Max Brunsdon. 12 pg.
The life story of William Scott, one of the first cedar getters & settlers of Scotts Head, and of his experiences with timber logs and bullock teams. $ 5.00

SYDNEY - GRAFTON RAIL ROUTE - EARLY YEARS.
Map showing the route of the North Coast Daylight Express from Newcastle to Pembrooke & Pembrooke to Grafton. $ 1.00

TALES BY ALVIN GOODWIN.
Donated in 1999 by Alvin Goodwin of Donnellyville
CD & Booklet 12 pg. (Transcribed by Brenda Gadsby)
Stories about characters who lived in the Nambucca Valley years ago including family relations. $ 10.00

TALL TALES OF THE NAMBUCCA.
Compiled by MBPCM. 20 pages.
In 2005, six men who lived in the Nambucca district most of their lives met to reminisce. A mixture of colourful characters who brought history to life, with a few tall tales. $ 5.00

THE BRAGG FAMILY.
Author: Brenda Gadsby. 2001. 35 pg.
Portrays the lifestyle & conditions of early settlers William & Sarah Bragg, a well known & respected family in the Nambucca Valley from 1886. $ 10.00

THE HISTORY OF MACKSVILLE DISTRICT 1835 - 1965.
Author: Geoffrey Minett. 200 pg.
An early history of the Nambucca District including its villages, pioneers, selectors & those which were farmers, tradesman medical and many other professions.
$ 45.00

THE STORY OF MACKSVILLE.
Author: Holly Moran - reprinted 2019. 20 pg.
Droghers, ferries, punts & wharves of the Macksville area (includes homes & businesses in River St).
$ 8.00

THE TOP END - BURRAPINE & THUMB CREEK.
Author: Macksville & District History Group, compiled by Brenda Gadsby 2003.
Stories told by some of the residents of Burrapine & Thumb Creek of their lifestyles & living conditions.
$ 20.00

TOWN & COUNTRY JOURNAL 1871.
Small booklet.
Exploration of the Nambucca and Bellinger.
Excerpts from the magazines "Travelling Reporter" and "The Cultivator"
$ 5.00

UNDAUNTED.
Author: Carroline Rhodes. 340pg.
History of the Nambucca River Co-Op Soc. Ltd., celebrating 100 years.
$ 30.00

VALLA MEMORIES
Author: Brenda Gadsby 1997. 86 pg.
Valla families and history stories.
$ 15.00

WHAT A COUNTRY TOWN.
Pamphlet.
$ 1.00

WHO BELONGS WHERE IN THE WELSH MOB.
Author: Joy Lane 2009.
Descendants of David & Eliza Welsh following seven generations.
It may give rise to “I didn’t know we were related!!”.
$ 20.00

BRUNSDON FAMILY HISTORY.
Author: Geoff Minett 2014.
Booklet.
$ 10.00